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This letter is in response to your U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated November 2, 2015 in which you requested "all emails sent to or by Robert Smudde, agency records officer, that refer to Hillary Clinton's use of a private email server. The time period of this request is March 2, 2015, to March 4, 2015."

Enclosed please find the documents responsive to your request.

This completes our action on this request. Should you have any questions, please contact (b) (6)

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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# U.S. air safety threatened by possible hacking: senators

Reuters March 2, 2015

Major security vulnerabilities in the Federal Aviation Administration's information systems are putting air traffic control programs, along with plane passengers, at risk, two U.S. senators said in a letter to the transportation secretary on Monday.

# In major goof, Uber stored sensitive database key on public GitHub page

Ars Technica (Blog) March 2, 2015

Uber is trying to force GitHub to disclose the IP address of every person that accessed a webpage connected to a database intrusion that exposed sensitive personal data for 50,000 drivers -- in a court action that revealed that a security key unlocking the database was stored on a publicly accessible place, the online equivalent of stashing a house key under a doormat. Related: Uber Takes Over 5 Months To Issue Breach Notification, Dark Reading (Blog)

# **Clapper: Maintaining Phone Call Surveillance is Like Buying Insurance**

Nextgov March 2, 2015

James Clapper, the nation's top spy, said keeping logs of U.S. citizens' phone calls is a preventive measure for discerning potential threats.

# Google quietly backs away from encrypting new Lollipop devices by default

Ars Technica (Blog) March 2, 2015

Last year, Google made headlines when it revealed that its next version of Android would require full-disk encryption on all new phones -- but we're starting to see new Lollipop phones from Google's partners, and they aren't encrypted by default, contradicting Google's previous statements.

# **Black phone Announces New Privacy-Oriented Phone and Tablet**

New York Times (Blog) March 2, 2015

The phone maker Blackphone and the security communications company Silent Circle, whose partnership created the first privacy-oriented smartphone, announced two new devices at Mobile World Congress here on Monday, along with a suite of software and services intended to lock down both private and work communications.

# Costly shift to new credit cards won't fix security issues

Reuters March 2, 2015

New technology about to be deployed by credit card companies will require U.S. consumers to carry a new kind of card and retailers across the nation to upgrade payment terminals -- but despite a price tag of \$8.65 billion, the shift will address only a narrow range of security issues.

Economy, Competitiveness and Environment

Nasdag Math: 5000 Doesn't Equal 2000 \$

Wall Street Journal March 3, 2015

The Nasdag hitting 5000 will bring painful memories to mind, but 2015 is vastly different from 2000, in mostly good ways.

#### Making its first purchase since spinoff, SAIC to buy Scitor for \$790 million

Washington Post March 3, 2015

Science Applications International Corp. announced its first acquisition since it was spun off from its namesake parent company, purchasing Reston-based Scitor for \$790 million.

# Two Northern Virginia cybersecurity companies become one

Washington Post March 3, 2015

Lookingglass Cyber Solutions announced Monday it had acquired CloudShield in all-cash transaction.

# HP to Buy Wi-Fi Equipment Maker Aruba Networks for About \$3 Billion

New York Times March 3, 2015

Hewlett-Packard agreed on Monday to buy Aruba Networks, a maker of Wi-Fi access equipment for businesses, for about \$3 billion in HP's biggest deal in more than three years.

#### Google, LinkedIn and other companies propose 6 million square feet of offices for north Mountain View

San Jose Mercury-News (CA) March 3, 2015

Google, LinkedIn and five real estate developers have submitted plans to build millions of square feet of new offices on the north side of Mountain View that could accommodate 30,000 workers, according to documents made available Monday by city officials.

# Obama sharply criticizes China's plans for new technology rules

Reuters March 3, 2015

President Barack Obama on Monday sharply criticized China's plans for new rules on U.S. tech companies, urging Beijing to change the policy if it wants to do business with the United States and saying he had raised it with President Xi Jinping.



# **Government and Technology**



# Hillary Clinton Used Personal Email Account at State Dept., Possibly Breaking Rules

New York Times March 3, 2015

Hillary Rodham Clinton exclusively used a personal email account to conduct government business as secretary of state, State Department officials said, and may have violated federal requirements that officials' correspondence be retained as part of the agency's record.

# VA misused \$92.5 million on software, IG says

FCW March 2, 2015

The Department of Veterans Affairs broke appropriations law when it billed an administrative account for an IT project designed to pay private sector providers for services provided to VA beneficiaries, according to the VA Office of Inspector General.

# DHS names first task order 2 award under CDM

FCW March 2, 2015

The Department of Homeland Security has pushed out its first award under a second task order for its continuous diagnostic and mitigation program -- to Knowledge Consulting Group, which as prime contractor will implement tools and services from three yendors.

# **Industry dives into NS2020 draft**

FCW March 2, 2015

Industry is beginning to digest the 13 documents and several hundred pages of the draft request for proposals for the General Services Administration's next big telecommunications effort.

# Pentagon's \$55 billion mystery plane is secret, but debate on cost is appearing

Washington Post March 3, 2015

Given the Pentagon's vast history of cost overruns on major weapons systems, experts worry that even though a contract has yet to be awarded, the Long Range Strike Bomber is already facing the same troubling problems that have plagued other programs.

# **ULA ready to compete against Elon Musk's space startup, CEO says**

Washington Post (Blog) March 2, 2015

Faced with mounting pressure from Elon Musk's SpaceX, the United Launch Alliance's new chief executive said Monday he has been re-configuring the company in order to compete, slashing the cost of national security launches and developing a new launch system.

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# Gov Exec Today March 4, 2015

# No Shutdown: DHS Stalemate Finally Ends // Daniel Newhauser

In "unmitigated loss for conservatives," House approves bill to fund the department for the fiscal year.

# Lawmakers Look to Give More Postal Employees Appeal Rights // Eric Katz

Postal group says bill would fix misunderstanding from 1987.

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New Broadcast Board CEO Bails After Just Six Weeks // Charles S. Clark Andy Lack says he'll take a job at NBC, blogger reports.

# Feds Say They Finally Have a Database of Every Cyber Job in Government // Jack Moore

Federal cyberw arriors hail from more than 100 different job categories scattered across agencies.

Hillary Clinton Not Alone in Using Private Emails to Govern // Charles S. Clark Government Executive survey shows a third of high-level executives see it done.

Think Tanks' New Data Tool Details U.S. State Population Trends // Timothy B. Clark The new "States of Change" report documents dramatic shifts in America's demographic future.

# White House: Don't Ask Us About Hillary Clinton's Email Use // Priscilla Alvarez

Josh Earnest said Tuesday that it's up to the State Department to handle how its employees use email correspondence to conduct official work.

# What Clinton's Email Habits Reveal About Federal Records Laws // Hallie Golden

Federal regulations don't outright ban the use of personal email accounts to conduct official government business.

# <u>Congressman Demands Names of Local Government Staffers, Hints at</u> Prosecution // Michael Grass

Conflict over the introduction of legalized marijuana in the nation's capital has strained the complicated relationship between the D.C. government and Capitol Hill.

# Study: Three to Five Cups of Coffee a Day is Good For the Arteries // Cassie Werber

Coffee lovers had the clearest arteries.

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# Clinton ran homebrew computer system for official emails

Associated Press March 4, 2015

The computer server that transmitted and received Hillary Clinton's emails -- on a private account she used exclusively for official business when she was secretary of state -- traced back to an Internet service registered to her family's home in Chappaqua, New York, according to Internet records reviewed by The Associated Press. Related: Hillary's emails 'not technically illegal', The Hill

# FREAK Out: Yet Another New SSL/TLS Bug Found

Dark Reading (Blog) March 3, 2015

Old-school, export-grade crypto standard used until the 1990s can be triggered to downgrade security of client, servers, researchers find.

#### Cybersecurity company Novetta Solutions up for sale: sources

Reuters March 3, 2015

Novetta Solutions LLC, a provider of software and IT services to the U.S. intelligence community, is exploring a sale which could value it at more than \$650 million, including debt, according to people familiar with the matter.

# FCC a 'referee,' not a regulator, of the Internet, Wheeler says

Computerworld March 3, 2015

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler on Tuesday defended the commission's recent vote in support of net neutrality, saying it isn't regulation as some critics contend it is, but instead sets up the Federal Communication Commission as a kind of referee.

# Regulator accused of overstepping on cybersecurity enforcement

The Hill March 3, 2015

The Federal Trade Commission has overstepped its authority by punishing companies for weak cybersecurity, lawyers for Wyndham Worldwide argued Tuesday in a high-stakes legal case that will help define the role of the federal government in protecting the security of consumer data online.

# **DARPA** wants new tech for protecting privacy

Defense Systems March 3, 2015

Saying that, "[p]rivacy is critical to a free society," the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency has announced a proposer's day for a forthcoming program designed to find ways of protecting the privacy and proprietary information of people and enterprises.

# **Economy, Competitiveness and Environment**

#### New patent bill gets cold shoulder

The Hill March 3, 2015

Advocates for large-scale patent reform are dismissing a pared-down proposal introduced by a trio of Senate Democrats on

the Judiciary Committee.

# 5G Roadmap, Bumps And All, Detailed At MWC

InformationWeek March 3, 2015

Government institutions and companies are all working to make 5G technologies a reality -- but at Mobile World Congress, no one really has a good definition of what 5G is.

#### **Splunk Leads Tiny Big Data Market**

InformationWeek March 3, 2015

Splunk marks another big year, taking in more revenue than the top three Hadoop distributors combined -- which is why startups want to follow in its footsteps.

#### First U.S. offshore wind farm moves ahead with \$290M in financing

Computerworld March 3, 2015

What is likely to become the nation's first offshore wind farm, Block Island Wind Farm in Rhode Island Sound, has closed on more than \$290 million in financing, which will allow a five-turbine demo of the renewable energy system to be completed.

# China says tech firms have nothing to fear from anti-terror law

Reuters March 4, 2015

China's proposed anti-terrorism law will not affect the legitimate interests of technology firms, a top Chinese spokeswoman said Wednesday after U.S. President Barack Obama warned of its impact and demanded amendments.

# OpGen files to raise up to \$37 million in IPO

Washington Business Journal March 3, 2015

Gaithersburg-based molecular diagnostics company OpGen Inc. filed Tuesday to go public in hopes of raising as much as \$37.4 million.



# **Government and Technology**



# **OFPP** set for new IT acquisition initiatives

FCW March 3, 2015

Three months ago the Office of Management and Budget issued a memo to federal agencies expanding category management practices and digital acquisition strategies, and championing more effective vendor engagement on large-scale IT projects. Now it's looking to go even further.

# Rollout of New CIO Powers Could be 'Uneven,' DOJ CIO Says

Nextgov March 3, 2015

Months after it was signed into law, federal agencies are still waiting for guidance on how to implement the Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act.

# **ICITE faces 'cultural resistance'**

FCW March 3, 2015

Bureaucratic resistance is slowing the intelligence community's adoption of a common IT architecture, according to former acting Defense Intelligence Agency Director David Shedd.

#### **Arrow Electronics acquires immixGroup**

Federal News Radio March 3, 2015

Arrow Electronics, Inc. inked a deal on Monday to acquire immixGroup, Inc., a value-added reseller (VAR) of IT solutions to help companies do business with the federal government.

# GSA proposes to change acquisition regulation vendors loathe

Federal News Radio March 4, 2015

The General Services Administration once again is trying to change one of the acquisition rules that industry despises the most — the Price Reduction Clause.

# Orbital ATK's Thompson on Antares upgrade: 'A year from now, will be the first launch'

Washington Business Journal March 3, 2015

Dulles-based Orbital ATK will kick off testing of its new rocket engines in the coming weeks, supporting plans for a first launch of its upgraded Antares launch system to the International Space Station a year from now, CEO David Thompson said.

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